

News of the Horse and Horsemen, Golfers, Tennis, and Boating



By EDWARD W. KIDNEY.

W. H. Littlepage, one of the most enthusiastic golfers at the Washington Country Club, who is predicted by many to win the Johnson Cup competition, is now leading with eleven matches won and only three lost. Mr. Littlepage played two matches last week and won both easily. Last week, when the official scores were published exclusively in The Washington Herald, Mr. Littlepage was second in the race, with nine matches won and three lost. E. B. Calvert, chairman of the greens committee, who was leading last week, is now in second place, having won ten matches and lost three.

George E. Truett is third, as he was last week, with seven victories and only three matches lost. Capt. A. A. Fries is fourth, with the same score as Mr. Truett.

The handsome cup for the winner of the competition is donated by Dr. Loren B. T. Johnson, chairman of the house committee. The conditions of the tournament follow: Every member has the privilege of challenging any other member once during the three summer months. The cup will be awarded the player who has lost the fewest matches, provided he has been challenged at least twenty times.

In view of the great interest shown by the members, it would be well for some other club to start a similar competition during the summer. This would help to bring out the players during the warm days and would add much to keep the club in the public eye.

Bascom Johnson and T. B. Jewell enjoyed the afternoon on the course of the Washington Country Club last Wednesday. The match was played in the Johnson Cup competition.

At a regular monthly meeting of the board of governors of the Washington Country Club, held at 27 Fifteenth street, last week, Dr. Loren B. T. Johnson resigned his position as chairman of the greens committee. He was then elected chairman of the house committee. E. B. Calvert, one of the most enthusiastic golfers at the club, was elected chairman of the greens committee. President Joseph Taber Johnson presided. Twenty-eight associate members were taken into the club. The names follow: L. Morris Leisenring, 1230 New York avenue; Dr. James T. McClenahan, 205 Farrington square; John H. Holt, the Alameda; Paul S. Black, the Alameda; Dr. Howard Fisher, the Alameda; Rev. Robert Talbot, 205 Twenty-third street; Gen. A. A. Thomas, Bond Building; Frederick C. Bryan, Colorado Building; Charles J. Brand, the Earlington, Sixteenth street; L. H. Steel, 334 Massachusetts street; F. S. Key-Smith, Evans Building; Charles Nelson Chase, Y. M. C. A. Building; John P. Ryan, New Willard; William L. Vetter, Y. M. C. A. Building; J. Baker Weaver, 1235 Wisconsin avenue; George B. Gardner, R. F. D. No. 4 (Lyonhurst); Washington; Francis M. Ball, McLean, Va.; Lee Ross, District Building; Denton Mott, 220 Massachusetts street; Robert S. Bishop, Evans Building; Rev. C. Ernest Smith, 2219 N. street; Hon. C. C. Carlin, House of Representatives; Commander John H. Dayton, 200 R. street; James S. Ball, McLean, Va.; R. F. D. No. 1; George G. Andrews, the Woodley; Dr. Thomas A. Groover, the Woodley; James H. Newton, 155 R. street; Herbert Knox Smith, secretary of the club, stated that the next meeting will be held at the clubhouse August 9.

John C. Davidson and A. S. Mattingly won an exciting match from Dr. Lee Harban and Perry Thompson by 4 up and 2 to play, on the course of the Columbia Country Club Thursday afternoon. Analyzed, the match was golf from the first tee to the bottom of the eighteenth cup.

R. Crowley, who was badly burned while caddying for a son, who was killed by lightning last Sunday at the Chevy Chase Club, resumed his duties as caddy Wednesday afternoon. He was much better yesterday, and will continue caddying, but "never again" in the rain.

It is a wonder that Crowley was not killed, as he was only about one yard from Mr. Johnson's Charles Selby, who has been caddy-master at the club for thirteen years, said he never heard of such an accident before. Mr. Selby said years ago the golfers would stop playing when a storm came up, but nowadays they are more daring, and play in any kind of weather, even in the worst storms.

However, the death of Mr. Johnson last Sunday has seemed to be a lesson for the local golfers, as a number were out on the courses of the various clubs Friday afternoon when a storm came up, and all of them stopped playing immediately. It is sincerely hoped that they will realize the great danger after this and always discontinue play when even a slight storm comes up.

C. L. Fraley and wife enjoyed a round of golf on the course of the Chevy Chase Club last Thursday afternoon. It is interesting to note that Mrs. Fraley is one of the best women golfers at the club.

Representative Nicholas Longworth and W. E. Buckerman enjoyed an interesting four-ball match with P. O. Corbett and J. P. Curtis at the Chevy Chase Club last Thursday afternoon. Ideal weather conditions prevailed, and the play was of high-class order from start to finish.

J. W. Lockett won a well-played threesome from Rudolph Kauffmann and S. L. Heap at the Chevy Chase Club Thursday afternoon.

Another interesting threesome played on the course of the Chevy Chase Club last Thursday afternoon was between Col. George Richards, Capt. F. P. Fletcher, and H. P. Norton.

Wilbur Sample, formerly a member of the old Columbia Golf Club, and also of the Claremont Golf Club, of Oakland,

Cal., and the Waverley Golf Club, of Portland, Ore., enjoyed a round at the Columbia Country Club last Thursday afternoon with Frank Govern. Had Mr. Sample been familiar with the putting greens he would undoubtedly have made a better score. As it was, he made the course in 88, taking 42 to go out and 46 to come in. Mr. Sample and Mr. Govern were also out on the course yesterday afternoon.

Gen. W. P. Biddle, of the Chevy Chase Club, started to learn the royal and ancient game under the tutelage of George Sargent, professional at the club, last Wednesday afternoon.

Col. Charles McCawley and J. M. Biddle were out on the course of the Chevy Chase Club last Thursday afternoon.

E. B. Calvert, who was recently elected chairman of the greens committee of the Washington Country Club, has announced that he will have bunker nine holes about the middle of August. They follow: 1, 4, 7, 8, 10, 14, 15, 16, and 17. These holes will be used in the new course, which will be lengthened to 6,000 yards. The course will also be piped in August. The work of lengthening it will be started next week. John Klein, professional at the club, said the work will be completed about next March, and should be in good condition the following month, when the club will hold a number of interesting tournaments.

Dr. Albert Mann and his son, Albert Mann, Jr., enjoyed playing their favorite game on the course of the Washington Country Club last Wednesday and Thursday afternoons.

Miss Margaret Johnson won the handsome prize donated by Miss Gertrude Patterson in the weekly golf tournament for the women of the Washington Country Club Saturday, July 15, when she made a gross score of 54, and with a handicap of 15, made a net score of 40 at the nine holes. Mrs. Frank Upton was second, with a gross score of 59, while Mrs. Loren B. Johnson and Miss J. Jewell turned in scores of 56 and 50, respectively. Mrs. A. Zappone finished the nine holes in 58. Misses Lillian Truett and Louise Grunwell also did well.

Much interest is being shown by the women of the club, and the handsome prizes that are offered by one of the members each Saturday adds much to the interest of outsiders as well.

C. B. Miller, an ardent admirer of the royal and ancient game, at the Washington Country Club, was first prize in the weekly sweepstakes July 15, when he made a score of 59, and, with a handicap of 23, made a net score of 36. W. G. Campbell was second with a net score of 47, while E. H. Bowie and Tom Weedon tied for third place with a net score of 49 each.

The scores follow:

Player	Gross	Hdp.	Net
C. B. Miller	59	23	36
W. G. Campbell	59	22	37
E. H. Bowie	59	23	36
Tom Weedon	59	22	37
Harry Woodman	59	23	36
Loren B. Johnson	56	15	41
Harry Frost (no card)			

An interesting threesome was played on the course of the Washington Country Club last Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons between John C. Davidson, George E. Truett, and John Klein, professional at the club. Mr. Davidson won the match Tuesday afternoon, when he made the course in 79, while Mr. Klein was second with 73, and Mr. Truett's score was 87. Wednesday afternoon Mr. Klein made 73, and Mr. Davidson turned in for 80 strokes, while Mr. Truett managed to get an 82. The two matches were very interesting. Mr. Davidson and Mr. Truett are also members of the Columbia Country Club.

E. H. Bowie and Ralph Jewell played an exciting match in the Johnson Cup competition at the Washington Country Club last Wednesday afternoon.

Senators Cummins and Brown enjoyed playing their favorite game at the Columbia Country Club last Thursday afternoon.

An interesting threesome was played at the Bannockburn Golf Club last Wednesday afternoon between Dr. Lee Harban, one of the best golfers in Washington, A. S. Mattingly, and Allan Lard, of the Chevy Chase Club.

A. F. Ferguson and Olive Varnell took part in a two-hole last Sunday afternoon at the Columbia Country Club.

D. K. Jackson and R. J. Beall won a closely played four-ball match from W. W. Keblinger and George James, by two up, at the Columbia Country Club last Thursday afternoon. Mr. Jackson had some splendid holes, especially while going out. Messrs. Keblinger and James played a good game, but were unable

Y. M. C. A. ADDS SIX NEW COURTS TO WELL-APPOINTED TENNIS FIELD

Tennis courts of the Young Men's Christian Association, which have been located for several years at Twenty-first and B streets, adjacent to Potomac Park, have been doubled in ground space this summer and six splendid courts added to the six which have been doing service for the past six years. This gives the association as fine an equipment as any club in the city, the old courts having been built with such constant care and skill through the years that they are regarded as the equal of any in the South. As time goes on, and with the experienced players who are assisting the association, the new courts will be of the same quality.

For more than twelve years outdoor sports have had a large place in the programme of the Young Men's Christian Association and its physical department.

to keep up their good work on the last few holes.

L. D. Underwood and Frank Govern won an interesting foursome from C. H. Chambers and Frank Phelps last Sunday afternoon at the Columbia Country Club. Mr. Underwood, who has been practicing his favorite game almost every day during the past two weeks, has shown a marked improvement in his play.

Another well-played three-ball match was played at the Columbia Country Club last Sunday afternoon between Senators Bourne, Dixon, and Brown.

R. G. Valentine, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, and Bascom Johnson played an interesting two-hole at the Washington Country Club last Tuesday afternoon.

Harry Frost and Harry Woodman enjoyed a two-hole at the Washington Country Club last Wednesday afternoon.

Erna Gould and Paymaster Schumann were out playing their favorite game at the Washington Country Club last Wednesday afternoon.

Arthur Donn and Mr. Ryan enjoyed a two-hole at the Washington Country Club last Monday afternoon.

Another match played in the Johnson Cup competition at the Washington Country Club was played last Thursday between George E. Truett and Ezra Gould. Mr. Truett played W. C. Thacher Friday afternoon.

An interesting foursome was played on the course of the Chevy Chase Club last Thursday afternoon between P. C. de Faust and D. S. Jarry, and L. L. Mallett and G. M. Hitchcock, in which the former pair won after playing some splendid golf.

R. B. Looker and George E. Truett were among the members who enjoyed playing at the Washington Country Club yesterday afternoon.

Among the many players who were out on the course of the Bannockburn Golf Club last Thursday afternoon were Messrs. J. H. London, Shoemaker, Cunningham, J. A. Hill, McKenney, Dr. Brown, and A. J. Whitaker. Miss Margaret Latimer and guest enjoyed a two-hole Thursday afternoon.

Dr. Thomas Brown, chairman of the greens committee of the Bannockburn Golf Club, and Sam Purdy, professional at the club, enjoyed a round at golf Thursday afternoon.

A. J. Whitaker and J. A. Hill enjoyed playing their favorite game on the course of the Washington Country Club Thursday afternoon.

Dr. Ramage and Mr. Shoemaker were also out Thursday afternoon at the Bannockburn Golf Club.

Tom Weedon and O. F. Black enjoyed a round of golf last Wednesday afternoon on the course of the Washington Country Club.

Dr. Shoup and T. Manuel took part in an interesting two-hole at the Washington Country Club last Tuesday afternoon.

A well-played four-ball match was played on the course of the Columbia Country Club last Thursday afternoon between John C. Davidson and A. H. Beall, and F. D. K. Jackson and A. Winter, as partners.

E. B. Eynon and John Walker won an exciting foursome from L. E. Sinclair, G. W. Simpson, and E. S. Marlow on the course of the Columbia Country Club last Sunday afternoon.

Among the many golfers (not golfists) who were out last Sunday afternoon at the Columbia Country Club were George Ray and W. P. Campbell. George James and Dick Beall also played a two-hole.

Olive Varnell and Catlett won an interesting and well-played four-ball match from George Ray and W. P. Campbell last Sunday afternoon on the course of the Columbia Country Club.

Frank Govern, one of the most enthusiastic golfers at the Columbia Country Club, while playing his favorite game last Sunday afternoon, lost three pounds. Some one remarked that Mr. Govern could easily stand it, as he still weighs over 200 pounds.

George James and R. J. Beall played D. K. Jackson and Dr. Lee Harban at the Columbia Country Club yesterday afternoon.

Williams has proven a real find for the Red Sox, holding his own at first and behind the plate. Then, too, the club has no more willing worker.

HOLLINGSWORTH'S DREADNOUGHT DESCENDANT OF FAMOUS NUTWOOD

Dr. R. G. Hollingsworth's Dreadnought is the only representative, in the male line, owned in the District, of the immortal Nutwood, 2:19 1/2, the greatest of all broodmare sires and one of the greatest sires of trotters and pacers that has ever lived.

The prominent son of Belmont and Miss Russell is credited, according to the very latest statistics in the Year Book, with 174 with records from 2:06 1/2 to 2:30; with 171 daughters that have produced 361 in the 2:30 list, and with 153 sons that have sired 1,006 in the 2:30 or better. His lead is so great in all these respects that it is doubtful whether it will be equaled in a century to come.

Dreadnought is the son of To Be, whose sire was Norfolk, by Nutwood, and Nancy, by Sam Purdy, 2:20 1/2; second dam, Jet. Dreadnought is a powerfully quartered and richly colored bay of 15 1/2 hands. His head is beautifully modeled, his neck slopes symmetrically from a gamecock throat to massive shoulders, and from the withers to the loins is a back suggestive of such strength as to make good the saying that he could support on it a ton of coal. Such loins and gaskins are rarely seen on a horse of his stride.

His sire, To Be, was a fast horse, much faster than his record. His dam was Lord by Van Borch, by Mambrino Druid, and he by Marshall Xer, a famous Maryland sire. The blood of Nutwood has been blended in Dreadnought with the good old-fashioned blood of a generation or more ago. It would not to-day be called ultra-fashionable, but it has contributed to the making of some of the stanchest trotters in the past. No stock horse is better marked than Dreadnought, and no horse has a sweeter disposition. Dr. Hollingsworth drives him on the road and will probably race him some in the fall. Dreadnought has the best of feet and legs and is absolutely sound, there not being even a pimple on him.

Dreadnought's also. They remind one of American Eclipse in his best estate.

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TROTTER AND PACER

Eyes of Local Horsemen on Grand Circuit Events Over Kalamazoo Track—News and Gossip.

By L. D. SALES.

The eyes of light-harness horsemen in every part of the United States have been directed the past week toward the city of Kalamazoo, where the trotters and pacers have been rapidly writing turf history.

The beautiful prairie town has been in the light-harness limelight for over half a century—in fact, ever since Flora Temple beat Honest Anse and the dam of Happy Medium in straight heats over the old track on the banks of Grand River and trotted to a world's record of 2:15 1/2 to a high-wheel, straight-axe sulky. It is not so far a cry, after all, from the 2:15 of Flora Temple, made in 1834, to the 2:05 made on extraordinary last by Thomas Murphy's initiated flying horse trotter, R. T. C., in the \$10,000 Paper Mill stake as appears on the surface.

Because when one takes into consideration the crude methods of training and shoeing of those days, the fact that the trotting breed was not yet established, that the sulky drawn by the game, bob-tailed bay mare was as crude a conception as the primitive ox cart of our forebears, when compared with the elegant and graceful vehicle drawn by R. T. C., the performance of the daughter of Madame Temple was nothing short of the marvelous.

The two-minute trotter is not only here, but he has been with us now some little time. Intelligent horsemen are now breeding for the 1:35 trotter, and he, too, will arrive in due time, and when the breed at the flying trot shall have become more firmly established, when the running gait of the flying-trotter ancestors shall have been entirely eliminated, there will be progress in scientific breeding, the light-harness horse may be expected to take a shy some day at the records of the thoroughbred. It will be fifty-three years in October since Flora Temple accomplished her great feat at Kalamazoo. Beyond the turbid waters of the Missouri was a trackless wilderness, except where the buffalo, the gold seekers, and the Mormon pioneers had the trail. Kansas was in the throes of a bloody agitation in regard to the question as to whether she should come into the Union as a free or a slave State.

John Brown and his band of fanatics had not yet made their raid on Harpers Ferry for the purpose of creating an insurrection among the slaves of Virginia. The starry pine of the Sam Houston Abraham Lincoln, still industriously riding the Illinois circuit, little thinking of the part he was to play in the tragedy of war between the States three years later. In all of the States and Territories there were no more than 30,000,000 souls.

Letland Stanford, later the master of historic Palo Alto, was laying, at the period of which we speak, the foundation of his great fortune. The Alexander brothers, a Kentucky, were best known as breeders of blooded cattle, sheep, and thoroughbred horses. The breeding of trotters at Woodburn Farm was then in its experimental stage. Charles Bachman, at Stony Ford, Orange County, N. Y., had not yet made money enough in the stock market to warrant him to embark into the breeding business on the large scale that afterward characterized his efforts.

Henry N. Smith, of Fashion Farm, New Jersey, had never heard of outside of Wall street, and his partner in after years, Jay Gould, had just emerged from earning a modest living in peddling maps and surveying land. Cicero J. Hamlin was a callow young man of thirty habits, but it is doubtful as to whether he ever dreamed of becoming one of the most eminent breeders of trotting horses in the United States, or that he would do a multimillionaire. William Rydyk, afterward eminent as the owner of Hambleton 10, the "father of trotters," was a day laborer and little thought then that he would die one of the richest men in Orange County. Hambleton 10 was in his colthood, and Dexter, his son, the first horse to lower Flora's time, had not yet been conceived. It has taken upward of fifty years to lower Flora's 2:15 1/2 to 1:58 1/2 at the trot, but every year, from 1834 to 1911, has been a milestone of progress.

The dominant feature of Grand Circuit racing up to the date of this writing is not the fast time made, but in the fact that the number of horses in the 2:10 list is rapidly multiplying. Six new 2:10 trotters were added to that list in the three days' meet at Indianapolis. The number will most likely be doubled at the end of the Detroit meet.

There is every evidence that the 2:30 standard must go, and soon, and that the standard to take its place will be one of 2:15. A 2:15 standard would be the line of progress. The old one has been obsolete for the past three years. Within the next ten years there will be a clamor on the part of progressive horsemen for a still more radical change, and the standard will be placed at 2:10. As matters stand, even now a horse that cannot beat 2:10 way off has no business on the Grand Circuit.

The feature of the racing at the "Zoo" on Tuesday was the way the trotter Gold Dollar treated his field in the 2:10 trot. The Allan Farmbred mare, Belva, a daughter of Bismarck, was thought by Cox to good enough to win it, as she had shown fast time this spring and had won eleven straight races last year on half-mile rings in fast time, making but one break the entire season. On Monday, however, the first day of the meet, Cox, better known as "Longshot" on the turf, had better luck with that good colt of last season, Benham Baughman. John Bauman also uncovered, the same day, a good one in the 2:15 trot in the Huguenot. The Limit, who did not do so well in the 2:07 pace the week previous, got his revenge Monday by beating a large field of high-class pacers. He is by the champion three-year-old California-bred pacer Searchlight, a son of Darknight.

There is every indication that Benham has a high-class horse in the Huguenot, and that he bears the Indian sign. He is a bay gelding, bred at Village Farm, foaled in 1905, and his sire is Chimes, 2:30 1/2, by Electioneer, and his dam Nellie King, by Mambrino King, 2:30 1/2. The Huguenot is the eleventh of the get of Chimes to enter the 2:10 list, and the sixteenth 2:10 performer produced by the daughter of Mambrino King. Arthur H. Parker, the breeder of Ulian, 1:58 1/2, also bred The Huguenot. The next stopping place of the horses is Detroit, the meeting at Grand Rapids having been declared off by the burning of the grand stand Thursday last.

Turning from the Grand Circuit to our local light-harness affairs, there is not much to cheer and absolutely nothing to inebriate. A few local horsemen show signs of still drawing the breath of life, but the major part are apparently in a moribund condition. This is very alarming, because there are so few of us, and numbers make strength in every organization. The ending of the matinee series last Thursday afternoon, together with the crowd present, has inspired the managers of the Drivers and Riders' Association with the hope that a matinee held over the Speedway every Tuesday afternoon will arouse interest. The types Friday morning made us say every afternoon. The types also made us say last Sunday that Miss Russell had twenty-five descendants in the 2:10 list, when, as a matter of fact, she was up to date 34.

If Bernard Dougherty is to be believed, he will, temporarily at least, retire from the turf and pay closer attention to his private affairs, which now demand more of his time. Owing to this fact the big sorrel pacer Frank T. is on the market, and the man who homes his new owner will have one of the most consistent horses ever brought to this city. He can be placed in any field of horses, no matter how large, and rated by a